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CONT c) determine variability in the number of samples remaining in the queue of the consuming device ; and

d) determine if the remaining number of samples in the queue of the consuming device can be reduced based upon the variability.

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CONCLUSION

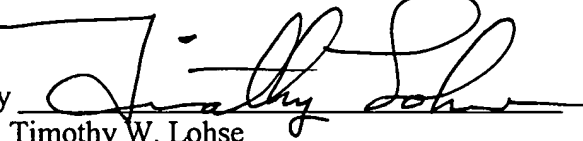
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**APPENDIX A – MARKED-UP COPY OF CLAIM 1**

1. (Amended) A method for dynamically reducing latency over a communications network, the method comprising:

- a) determine completion of processing of a next data block;
- b) determine a number of samples remaining in a queue of a consuming device of the next data block;
- c) determine variability in the number of samples remaining in the queue of the consuming device ; and
- d) determine if the remaining number of samples in the queue of the consuming device can be reduced based upon the variability.

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